

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Department of Community Development, Code Enforcement Division, is responsible for the enforcement of City ordinances, property maintenance and zoning issues.

Code Enforcement assists in maintaining and improving property values and the general neighborhood appearance. This Division receives a number of calls in regards to weeds, nuisances, abandoned and derelict vehicles, occupancy and other citizen concerns. In addition to investigating these issues, a yearly proactive survey is undertaken. This includes more than 28,000 parcels in the City.

The following is a list which can be used as a guideline to assess any current or potential problems in your area. This is typically what we look for when doing the survey.

EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREA

- sanitation (i.e. trash, debris, waste)
- graffiti
- rodent harborage
- sidewalks and driveways
- accessory structure(s)

EXTERIOR STRUCTURE

- protective treatment (i.e. paint)
- street numbers
- foundation walls
- exterior walls
- roofs and drainage
- stairways, decks, porches and balconies
- handrails and guards
- windows, doors and frames

INTERIOR STRUCTURE

- interior surfaces (i.e. paint)
- stairs and walking surfaces
- handrails and guards
- sanitation (i.e. garbage and rubbish)
- infestation (i.e. rodents and insects)
- occupancy limitations

PUBLIC NUISANCES

- pond or pool of stagnant water
- mosquito harborage
- rat harborage
- sanitation (i.e. trash, debris, waste)
- dying or decaying trees or limbs

TALL GRASS AND WEEDS

- should not exceed 8 inches

VEHICLES DECLARED A NUISANCE

- abandoned
- wrecked
- dismantled
- inoperative
- expired or unlicensed

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING

- one commercial type vehicle not licensed over 12,000 lbs. GVW used by the occupant of the dwelling, may be parked on the premises
- any vehicle licensed above 12,000 lbs. GVW is not allowed in residential areas

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

- boats, trailers, camper shells, RV's
*a maximum of two units on any one parcel not longer than 32 feet
- MUST BE STORED–
*enclosed in a garage
*in an accessory structure
*in rear yard on a paved or non-dust generating surface

HOME OCCUPATIONS

- permit required for home businesses

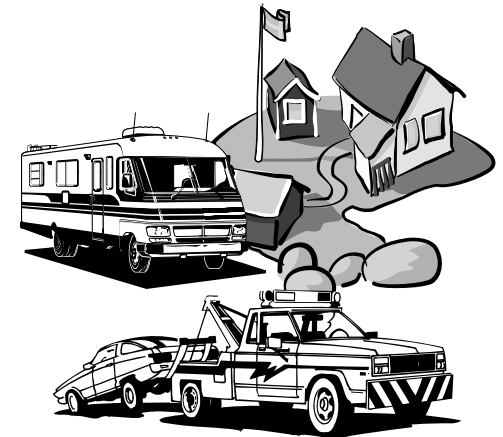


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For further details on any code enforcement matter, please contact the Department of Community Development at (636)949-3227 or at City Hall, 200 North Second Street, Suite 303.